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Petition For Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(1)

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Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for replying to the outstanding Office Action be extended three (3) months from July 8, 2003 to October 8, 2003 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)) is believed to be \$950.000 for a three (3) month extension for a large entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying PTO-2038 Credit Card Payment Form. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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